How to visit Desert RATS in Second Life

1. Create an avatar on Second Life (you must be 18 or older).   Click Join Now and follow the instructions to create a Second Life Account (it's free):

    a. Pick a first name.

    b. Pick a last name (from the provided list).

    c. Create a password.

    d. Pick a starting look (you can change your look later, but not your name).

    e. Complete the rest of the form and click **Create Account.**

2. Check your email to verify your account.

3. Download the Second Life Viewer from the link provided in the sign up process – or download directly from here . Second Life is an approved JSC application.

4. Install the Second Life Viewer on your computer.

5. Log onto Second Life:

    a. Start the Second Life Viewer.

    b. Enter your avatar's first name, last name and your password (case matters).

    c. Pick your Start Location:

        ▪ Start with an orientation (recommended) to learn how to walk, talk, fly, teleport and more. The first time you log on you will automatically land at a default orientation area, unless you specify a different location.

        ▪ You can go to a specific location by typing it in at login. If you don't see **Start at:** next to the Log In button, go to the preferences menu (*Me – Preferences – General - Start location -* **Show on login**.

        ▪ If you use assistive technology, you may want to sign up for Second Life at Virtual Ability Island instead of secondlife.com. They also have a great orientation there.

        ▪ Or go directly to the Desert Analog area on NASA eEducation Island. Click this link and then select **Visit this Location**. Your viewer will take you directly there.

6. If you get lost in world, or just want to check out other places, use the Search function (upper right corner) or CTRL+F.